Funds for computer literacy in Arunachal Pradesh

1407. SHRI NABAM REBIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the detail of funds allocated and released for computer literacy in rural and urban areas of Arunachal Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the reasons for not utilizing the allotted funds by the State; and

(c) the effective measures taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) The Department of Secondary and Higher Education has launched a revised Computer Literacy and Studies in Schools (CLASS) in 2001-2002 to promote computer literacy in schools in the country. Under the revised CLASS scheme, financial assistance is being provided to States/Union Territories on the basis of Computer Education Plans (CEPs) submitted by the States/UT's.

As the Government of Arunachal Pradesh has not submitted the Computer Education Plan of its State, no funds have been released to them.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

FDI in elementary education

1408. SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating a new policy on foreign direct investment in the elementary education in the country;

(b) if so, whether the Ministry has set up an internal panel for a policy decision on this issue;

(c) whether any concrete proposal has been prepared by the Ministry in this regard;